

'95 Population Estimates Released

State Amid Population Turnaround
Mid-decade population estimates from the Census Bureau show that Kentucky has been on a growth trajectory over the last five years. From 1990 to 1995, the state population increased by 173,000 persons or five percent. During the entire previous decade, Kentucky grew demographically by less than one percent.

This population turnaround has been fueled by strong migration from other states, not from immigration from beyond U.S. borders, nor from an increase in births. During the 1990-95 period, Kentucky attracted 82,000 more migrants than left the state. Kentucky currently ranks 19th among states for attracting domestic migrants. In 1990, there were 54,000 live births in the state. Since then, however, the number of annual live births has fallen below this level. This indicates that many of the new migrants are likely older, beyond prime fertility years, and less involved in the labor force.

Much of the growth has been located in the peripheral counties of the Louisville, Lexington, and Northern Kentucky metropolitan areas. These suburban areas attracted newcomers from other states as well as those moving out of the central cities. In these cases, new migrants are most likely

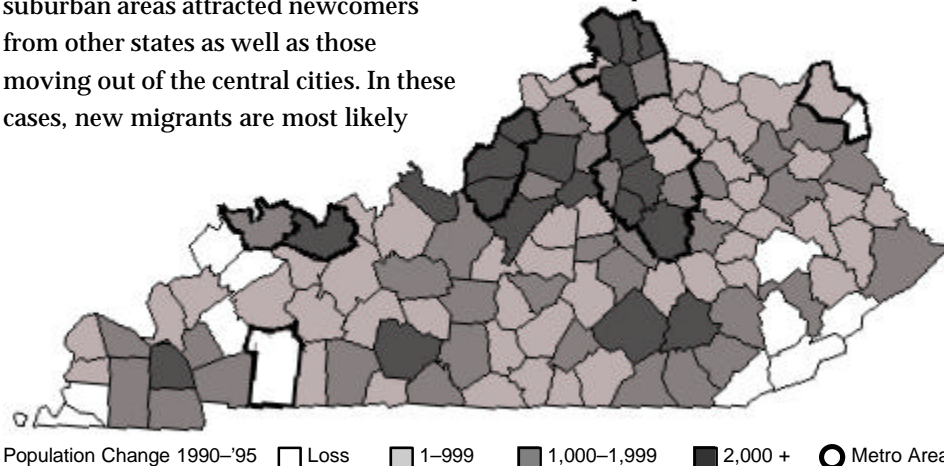
urban workers and their families.

However, several rural counties are also experiencing the turnaround and are attracting migrants. These rural locales, many of which are in proximity to the state's large recreational lakes, are the destination of retirees and older migrants. Many of these older migrants are Kentucky natives who left the state during their working years, but are now returning for their retirement years.

Counties with the largest population gains during the five-year period were Fayette (13,519), Boone (12,508), Bullitt (8,560), Jefferson (7,795), Oldham (7,748), and Warren (6,728). Oldham was the fastest growing at 23.3 percent, followed by Boone (21.7 percent), Spencer (20.2 percent), Grant (19.2 percent), Bullitt (18.0 percent), Lyon (17.0 percent), and Scott (16.5 percent).

Metro vs Nonmetro Growth
Recent population growth in Kentucky has been widespread. Nonmetropolitan counties, as a group, increased their
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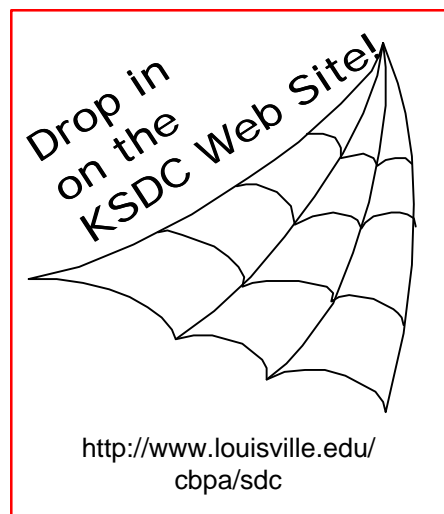


Deaths Exceed Births in 13 Counties

While the state, as a whole, is growing and some areas are actually booming, there are counties where population growth has been stagnant. Primarily located in western Kentucky, 13 counties over the 1990-95 period recorded deaths at higher levels than live births.

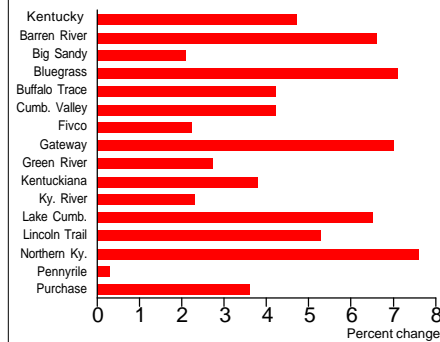
In these areas, young adults have been leaving for years and annual births and the birth rates have been decreasing. Consequently, the age structure in these areas has become less triangular and more rectangular. The death rate and the number of annual deaths, in turn, increase.

From 1990 to 1995, deaths exceeded births in Ballard, Caldwell, Carlisle, Crittenden, Cumberland, Fulton, Green, Hickman, Livingston, Lyon, Muhlenberg, Trigg, and Webster. Most of these counties are counterbalancing natural decrease with net immigration. However, migrants to these areas are most likely older and are not contributing to the birth rate. Three counties—Fulton, Hickman, and Webster—are experiencing a demographic double whammy, natural decrease and net outmigration.



	1995 Estimate	1990 Census	Change 90-95 Number	%	Births	Deaths	Net Migration
Kentucky	3,860,219	3,686,891	173,328	4.7	280,723	189,257	81,862
ADDs							
Barren River	237,376	222,766	14,610	6.6	16,170	12,349	10,789
Big Sandy	168,513	165,020	3,493	2.1	12,482	8,527	-462
Bluegrass	632,081	590,336	41,745	7.1	45,625	27,289	23,409
Buffalo Trace	54,068	51,877	2,191	4.2	3,780	3,271	1,682
Cumb. Valley	232,344	223,024	9,320	4.2	17,384	11,882	3,818
Fivco	135,659	132,685	2,974	2.2	8,886	7,232	1,320
Gateway	71,013	66,346	4,667	7.0	4,792	3,273	3,148
Green River	204,804	199,342	5,462	2.7	14,119	10,466	1,809
Kentuckiana	827,050	796,491	30,559	3.8	62,330	40,861	9,090
Ky. River	126,284	123,495	2,789	2.3	9,356	6,513	-54
Lake Cumb.	185,608	174,283	11,325	6.5	12,363	10,100	9,062
Lincoln Trail	230,704	219,101	11,603	5.3	17,698	9,155	3,060
Northern Ky.	360,338	334,979	25,359	7.6	28,196	15,703	12,866
Pennyryle	206,488	205,800	688	0.3	15,931	11,421	-3,822
Purchase	187,889	181,346	6,543	3.6	11,611	11,215	6,147
Counties							
Adair	16,292	15,360	932	6.1	1,059	939	812
Allen	15,706	14,628	1,078	7.4	1,203	948	823
Anderson	17,152	14,571	2,581	17.7	1,217	665	2,029
Ballard	8,232	7,902	330	4.2	473	594	451
Barren	35,768	34,001	1,767	5.2	2,238	2,084	1,613
Bath	10,159	9,692	467	4.8	680	593	380
Bell	30,490	31,506	-1,016	-3.2	2,316	1,902	-1,430
Boone	70,097	57,589	12,508	21.7	5,249	2,122	9,381
Bourbon	19,257	19,236	21	0.1	1,363	1,029	-313
Boyd	50,613	51,150	-537	-1.0	3,289	2,961	-865
Boyle	26,699	25,641	1,058	4.1	1,714	1,389	733
Bracken	8,209	7,766	443	5.7	581	485	347
Breathitt	15,539	15,703	-164	-1.0	1,205	841	-528
Breckinridge	16,722	16,312	410	2.5	980	979	409
Bullitt	56,127	47,567	8,560	18.0	4,009	1,450	6,001
Butler	11,634	11,245	389	3.5	727	708	370
Caldwell	13,207	13,232	-25	-0.2	793	872	54
Calloway	32,506	30,735	1,771	5.8	1,671	1,646	1,746
Campbell	87,111	83,866	3,245	3.9	6,754	4,245	736
Carlisle	5,443	5,238	205	3.9	303	347	249
Carroll	9,668	9,292	376	4.0	721	604	259
Carter	26,172	24,340	1,832	7.5	1,983	1,320	1,169
Casey	14,508	14,211	297	2.1	1,054	835	78
Christian	65,666	68,941	-3,275	-4.8	7,085	2,821	-7,539
Clark	30,822	29,496	1,326	4.5	2,207	1,533	652
Clay	22,835	21,746	1,089	5.0	1,977	1,051	163
Clinton	9,309	9,135	174	1.9	586	548	136
Crittenden	9,470	9,196	274	3.0	523	606	357
Cumberland	6,957	6,784	173	2.6	442	503	234
Daviess	90,662	87,189	3,473	4.0	6,692	4,305	1,086
Edmonson	10,758	10,357	401	3.9	577	526	350
Elliott	6,543	6,455	88	1.4	398	364	54
Estill	15,646	14,614	1,032	7.1	1,094	818	756
Fayette	238,885	225,366	13,519	6.0	18,292	9,183	4,410
Fleming	13,054	12,292	762	6.2	850	808	720
Floyd	44,100	43,586	514	1.2	3,340	2,419	-407
Franklin	46,136	44,143	1,993	4.5	3,080	2,157	1,070
Fulton	7,317	8,271	-954	-11.5	554	645	-863
Gallatin	6,175	5,393	782	14.5	502	301	581
Garrard	12,994	11,579	1,415	12.2	761	675	1,329
Grant	18,763	15,737	3,026	19.2	1,420	767	2,373
Graves	35,139	33,550	1,589	4.7	2,252	2,159	1,496
Grayson	22,744	21,050	1,694	8.0	1,506	1,162	1,350
Green	10,416	10,371	45	0.4	597	651	99
Greenup	36,992	36,742	250	0.7	2,177	1,825	-102
Hancock	8,483	7,864	619	7.9	508	327	438
Hardin	90,345	89,240	1,105	1.2	7,819	2,951	-3,763
Harlan	36,237	36,574	-337	-0.9	2,668	2,000	-1,005
Harrison	16,978	16,248	730	4.5	1,125	1,036	641
Hart	16,209	14,890	1,319	8.9	1,047	881	1,153

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Henderson	44,431	43,044	1,387	3.2	2,926	2,132	593
Henry	14,208	12,823	1,385	10.8	1,006	759	1,138
Hickman	5,346	5,566	-220	-4.0	277	433	-64
Hopkins	46,640	46,126	514	1.1	3,260	2,823	77
Jackson	12,702	11,955	747	6.2	891	594	450
Jefferson	672,918	665,123	7,795	1.2	52,081	35,595	-8,691
Jessamine	34,218	30,508	3,710	12.2	2,670	1,241	2,281
Johnson	24,063	23,248	815	3.5	1,683	1,290	422
Kenton	145,474	142,031	3,443	2.4	11,949	6,480	-2,026
Knott	18,414	17,906	508	2.8	1,247	820	81
Knox	31,371	29,676	1,695	5.7	2,522	1,620	793
Larue	12,641	11,679	962	8.2	779	682	865
Laurel	48,076	43,438	4,638	10.7	3,374	2,006	3,270
Lawrence	15,339	13,998	1,341	9.6	1,039	762	1,064
Lee	7,858	7,422	436	5.9	472	455	419
Leslie	13,616	13,642	-26	-0.2	975	588	-413
Letcher	26,957	27,000	-43	-0.2	1,887	1,481	-449
Lewis	13,365	13,029	336	2.6	990	739	85
Lincoln	21,485	20,045	1,440	7.2	1,478	1,085	1,047
Livingston	9,365	9,062	303	3.3	560	620	363
Logan	25,774	24,416	1,358	5.6	1,870	1,436	924
Lyon	7,752	6,624	1,128	17.0	336	379	1,171
McCracken	64,577	62,879	1,698	2.7	4,381	3,758	1,075
McCreary	16,612	15,603	1,009	6.5	1,379	883	513
McLean	9,705	9,628	77	0.8	669	643	51
Madison	63,112	57,508	5,604	9.7	4,305	2,424	3,723
Magoffin	13,743	13,077	666	5.1	1,133	619	152
Marion	16,755	16,499	256	1.6	1,264	877	-131
Marshall	29,329	27,205	2,124	7.8	1,700	1,633	2,057
Martin	12,897	12,526	371	3.0	1,132	596	-165
Mason	17,214	16,666	548	3.3	1,208	1,112	452
Meade	27,371	24,170	3,201	13.2	2,159	712	1,754
Menifee	5,387	5,092	295	5.8	344	264	215
Mercer	20,045	19,148	897	4.7	1,431	1,200	666
Metcalfe	9,318	8,963	355	4.0	648	600	307
Monroe	11,677	11,401	276	2.4	909	748	115
Montgomery	20,582	19,561	1,021	5.2	1,550	1,019	490
Morgan	13,344	11,648	1,696	14.6	816	587	1,467
Muhlenberg	31,709	31,318	391	1.2	1,909	1,920	402
Nelson	33,422	29,710	3,712	12.5	2,511	1,261	2,462
Nicholas	6,999	6,725	274	4.1	457	427	244
Ohio	21,555	21,105	450	2.1	1,380	1,314	384
Oldham	41,011	33,263	7,748	23.3	2,338	975	6,385
Owen	9,589	9,035	554	6.1	567	562	549
Owsley	5,384	5,036	348	6.9	342	337	343
Pendleton	13,461	12,036	1,425	11.8	1,034	622	1,013
Perry	31,286	30,283	1,003	3.3	2,650	1,613	-34
Pike	73,710	72,583	1,127	1.6	5,194	3,603	-464
Powell	12,211	11,686	525	4.5	931	515	109
Pulaski	54,570	49,489	5,081	10.3	3,369	2,691	4,403
Robertson	2,226	2,124	102	4.8	151	127	78
Rockcastle	15,417	14,803	614	4.1	997	831	448
Rowan	21,541	20,353	1,188	5.8	1,402	810	596
Russell	15,856	14,716	1,140	7.7	1,047	946	1,039
Scott	27,813	23,867	3,946	16.5	1,971	1,024	2,999
Shelby	27,696	24,824	2,872	11.6	1,889	1,376	2,359
Simpson	16,084	15,145	939	6.2	1,159	849	629
Spencer	8,178	6,801	1,377	20.2	568	345	1,154
Taylor	22,677	21,146	1,531	7.2	1,584	1,161	1,108
Todd	11,182	10,940	242	2.2	814	656	84
Trigg	11,497	10,361	1,136	11.0	651	724	1,209
Trimble	6,912	6,090	822	13.5	439	361	744
Union	16,499	16,557	-58	-0.4	1,017	812	-263
Warren	84,448	77,720	6,728	8.7	5,792	3,569	4,505
Washington	10,704	10,441	263	2.5	680	531	114
Wayne	18,411	17,468	943	5.4	1,246	943	640
Webster	13,469	13,955	-486	-3.5	927	933	-480
Whitley	35,216	33,326	1,890	5.7	2,639	1,878	1,129
Wolfe	7,230	6,503	727	11.2	578	378	527
Woodford	21,629	19,955	1,674	8.4	1,529	888	1,033

Population Change 1990 - 95 (Percent)
Kentucky and Area Development Districts

Metro vs Nonmetro Growth

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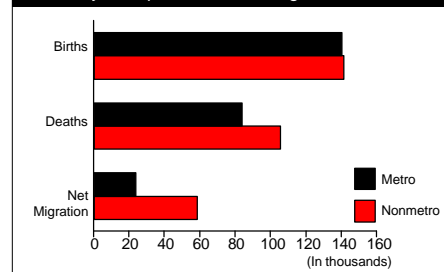
population by 94,000 persons or 4.9 percent from 1990 to 1995. Metropolitan counties, on the other hand, grew by 80,000 persons or by 4.5 percent.

Nonmetro Kentucky, however, has gained more than twice as many migrants as the state's metro areas. Net migration resulted in an increase of 58,000 persons in nonmetro areas, compared to 24,000 persons in metro areas over the five-year period.

Population growth through natural increase, however, has been higher in metro areas. Births exceeded deaths by 56,000 in metropolitan counties. In nonmetropolitan counties, fertility has been comparable to that in metro areas, but mortality has been higher resulting in 36,000 more births than deaths.

These trends indicate that rural Kentucky has attracted many of the older migrants coming into the state.

Kentucky Components of Change 1990 - 1995



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